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Illinois & NW Indiana 2009 AT&T Mobilization & Bargaining News

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SET TO TALK READY TO WALK!



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June 18, 2009- IBEW-AT&T Bargaining Update #13

Our current contract with AT&T expires in 9 days.

The clock is ticking

As we enter the final week before our contract expires with AT&T we must all be ready to do whatever it takes to get the message across to AT&T that we are not backing down and will not be victims of their alleged economic hardship scheme.

AT&T is not facing the same hardships that have hit the auto industry. AT&T's 2008 net profit was \$12.9 billion and this year in the first quarter alone they have banked \$3.1 billion. They are projected to remain profitable for many years to come. Cable, satellite and phone company video providers should get through the recession relatively unscathed, according to a new report by PricewaterhouseCoopers.

To read the article [click here](#).

We are set to talk and ready to walk.

We all must do it louder and show our collective strength because AT&T is underestimating our power. AT&T thinks you don't care about your wages, benefits, or our retirees. Let's prove them wrong. Mobilization coordinators and stewards will be contacting you with the mobilization event details. Please make yourselves available after work on Friday June 26 and all day or night on Saturday June 27, the day our contract with AT&T expires.



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Rock Island-Moline

If you haven't done so already, please **act now and send your letter to AT&T CEO Randall Stephenson** and your elected officials telling them of AT&T's shameful ploy to destroy the middle class. Enough is enough!

Send your letter now [by clicking here.](#)

The AT&T Greed campaign has been rolling along both nationally with your letters and locally...

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Who knows which location or when the message will appear next?

Facebook, MySpace, Twitter users

Get your friends and family involved in this campaign by adding this link: www.attgreed.com to your pages. Include a personal message on why it's important to you, that they get involved and send a message.

Feet on the Street

While there maybe a cross town rivalry, most fans in Chicago have agreed to put down their bats and have stepped up to the plate to support our members working at AT&T. Tens of thousands of baseball schedules have been distributed with the message "AT&T's Greed: making a bad economy worse with attacks on the middle class." Visit www.attgreed.net.

Make sure you wear your solidarity gear. It's not too late to still purchase it, order now by visiting our [online store here](#).

The National and Local bargaining committees will be in negotiations all next week. The teams have been reviewing proposals in committee meetings. President Kastner has been in discussions with our International President Edwin Hill and the IBEW telecommunications locals this week at the TCC-3 conference to update them on the progress of the AT&T negotiations.

Strike Authorization meetings continue

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All members are encouraged to attend one of the remaining meetings to get the latest bargaining information from your leaders, followed by a strike authorization vote. To get a complete [listing click here.](#)

Stay Informed

Visit the IBEW Local 21 bargaining page [by clicking here.](#)

The union hotline and website will be updated as needed or when there is breaking news. Text messaging and email bargaining/mobilization alerts will be issued when necessary to keep all members informed as negotiations progress. To sign up for text messaging [updates clicking here.](#)

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